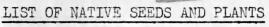
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Spring of 1951 Garden Mich.



ALSO CHOICE PERENNIALS

The following wild flowers were all propagated and grown at Valley Gardens. Conservationists can buy our stock knowing that they are not contributing to the despoilation of any natural area. Gardeners can buy knowing the stock has the compact root system of the nursery-grown plant, not the rambling root of the collected plant that had to compete with other vegetation in the natural habitat.

ACONITUM UNCINATUM - Clambering Monkshood or Summer Aconite. 3 to 5 Ft. Blue helmet-shaped flowers in late summer or early fall. Shade or partial shade. Plants only. Each 35ϕ , $3-95\phi$, 10-\$3.00.

ACTAEA ALBA - White Baneberry. l-2 Ft. Racemes of small white flowers in spring. Fruit glossy white berries 1/3 inch in diameter with a purple dot on the end, suggesting the common name of "Dollseyes". Rich, moist soil in shade or light shade. Seed only.

ACTAEA RUBRA - Red Baneberry. Similar to the preceding, but with red fruit. Seed or plants. Each 30ϕ , $3-80\phi$, 10-\$2.50.

ACTINEA HERBACEA - Lakeside Daisy. Yellow daisy-like flowers in spring on 6 - 10 inch woolly stems. Foliage gray-green, forming a low neat mound. Full sun. Plants only. We believe this beautiful and rare plant never before offered to the public. \$1.00 each, 3 - \$2.50.

ANEMONE MULTIFIDA. $\frac{1}{2}$ to $1\frac{1}{2}$ Ft. Plant silky-hairy. Flowers red, varying to white or yellow. Early summer. Full sun. Plants only. Each 25ϕ , $3-65\phi$, 10-\$2.00.

ANEMONELLA THALICTROIDES - Rue Anemone. 6 - 9 inches. White to pink-tinged flowers in early spring. Light shade. One of the best-loved eastern spring wild flowers. Plants only. Each 25ϕ , $3-65\phi$, 10-\$2.00.

AQUILEGIA CANADENSIS - American Columbine. 1-3 Ft. Red and yellow. May - June. Attracts hummingbirds. Light shade. Plants only. Each 25ϕ , $3-65\phi$, 10-\$2.00.

ASARUM CANADENSE - Wild Ginger. Creeper. April - May. Rich moist shade. Plants only. Each 25ϕ , $3-65\phi$, 10-\$2.00.

**SCLEPIAS TUBEROSA - Butterfly weed or Pleurisy root. 2 Ft. Showy orange flowers June - Aug. Full sun. Seed or plants. Eacj 30ϕ , $3-80\phi$, 10-\$2.50.

ARISAEMA TRIPHYLLUM - Jack-in-the-Pulpit. 1 - 2 Ft. Rich moist soil in shade. The scarlet fruit very showy in fall. Seed only.

Paptisia Australis - Blue Wild Indigo. 3-4 Ft. Indigo-blue flowers in June, nearly an inch long, in loose-flowered, long terminal racemes. Foliage very attractive. Full sun. Seed or plants. Each 30ϕ , $3-80\phi$, 10-\$2.50.

CALLIRHOE INVOLURCRATA - Wine Poppy or Purple Poppy-mallow. 12 inches. Showy deep rose-purple flowers from spring to heavy fall frosts. Full sun. Seed or plants. Each 35ϕ , $3-95\phi$, 10-\$3.00.

CAMPANULA ROTUNDIFOLIA - Blue Bells of Scotland. 9 - 15 inches. June until frost. Dainty blue flowers, loved the world around. Light shade or sun. Seed or plants. Each 35ϕ , $3-95\phi$, 10-\$3.00.

CHELONE GLABRA - White Turtlehead. 2 - 3 Ft. Flowers white, tinted rose. Aug. - Sept. Moist location or ordinary garden soil. Light shade or sun. Plants only. Jach 30ϕ , $3-80\phi$, 10-32.50.

CHELONE LYONI - Pink Turtlehead. Native to the mountains of Virginia and southward. Perfectly hardy. Rose-colored flowers Aug. - Sept. Moist location or garden conditions. Light shade or sun. Plants only. Each 30ϕ , $3-80\phi$, 10-\$2.50.

COHNUS CANDENSIS * Dwarf Cornell or Bunchberry. White flowers May - July, $1 - 1\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide, followed by cluster of bright red berries in fall. 4 - 8 inches. Sun or shade. Fine ground cover, especially under rhododendrons. Because of the rooting habits of this plant, we are only going to sell the seed. Easily established in this way where wanted.

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DICENTRA EXIMIA - Fringed Bleeding Heart. 9 - 18 in. Heart-shaped, nodding rose-colored flowers from spring to fall. Similar to flowers of old favorite, Dicentra Spectabilis. Light shade in humus-filled soil. Seed or plants. Each 35ϕ , $3-95\phi$, 10-33.00.

DICENTRA FORMOSA - Western Bleeding Heart. Similar to our eastern bleeding heart. Same culture. Seed or plants. Each 35ϕ , $3-95\phi$, 10-33.00.

ADIANTUM PEDATUM - Maidenhair Fern. $1 - \frac{1}{2}$ Ft. Moist, humus-rich soil in shade. Each 30ϕ , $3 - 80\phi$, 10 - \$2.50.

PCLYSTICHUM ACROSTICHOIDES - Christmas Fern. 1 - 2 Ft. Fronds evergreen. Light shade. Each 30ϕ , 3 - 80ϕ , 10 - 62.50.

GENTIANA ANDREWSII - Closed Gentian. 1 - 2 Ft. Flowers blue to purple. Sept. - Oct. Moist location or ordinary garden soil. Sun or light shade. Seed or plants. Each 35ϕ , $3-95\phi$, 10-33.00.

GENTIANA CRINITA - Fringed Gentian. l-2 Ft. Moist rich soil in light shade or full sun. Certainly our most beautiful blue flower. Sept. - Oct. Biennial. Seed only at 50ϕ per packet.

GERANIUM MACULATUM - Wild Geranium. 1 - 2 Ft. Orchid. May - June. Light shade. Seed or plants. Each 25ϕ , $3-65\phi$, 10-92.00.

HEPATICA ACUTILOBA - Sharplobe Hepatica. 4-6 in. Flowers white, pink or lavendar-blue. Early spring. Shade or light shade. Leaves semi-evergreen. Plants only. Heavy clumps, 50ϕ each. Each 25ϕ , $3-65\phi$, 10-92.00.

HEPATICA TRILOBA - Roundlobe Hepatica. Smiliar to Acutiloba, but rounded leaves. Plants only. Heavy clumps, 50ϕ each. Each 25ϕ , $3-65\phi$, 10-52.00.

HEUCHERA AMERICANA - American Alum Root. 1 - 2 Ft. Nearly evergreen. Flowers greenish. June. Foliage mottled, very attractive, especially in spring. Seed or plants. Each 30ϕ , $3-80\phi$, 10-62.50.

HEUCHERA VILLOSA - Hairy Alum Root. 9 - 18 in. Dainty white flowers resembling miterwort. July - Oct. Light shade. Seed or plants. Each 30ϕ , 3- 80ϕ , 10 - 92.50

HYDRASTIS CANADENSIS - Golden Seal. 1 Ft. Greenish-white flowers in spring, followed by bright red berry in July-Aug. Ordinary garden soil in shade. Grown commercially for the root. Seed or plants. Each 30ϕ , $3-80\phi$, 10-2.50.

IRIS CRISTATA - Crested Iris. 4 - 6 in, Sky-blue with a yellow fringed crest. May. Light shade. A dainty little iris. Plants only. Each 30ϕ , $3 - 80\phi$, 10 - \$2.50.

IRIS VERSICOLOR - Large Blue Flag. 2 Ft. Blue. June. Moist location or ordinary garden soil. Sun. Seed or plants. Each 25ϕ , $3-65\phi$, 10-2.00.

LIATRIS SPICATA - Spike Gayfeather. 3 - 5 Ft. Full sun in ordinary garden soil. Long spikes of rose purple flowers July - Sept. Plants only. Each 40ϕ , 3 - 91.10, 10 - 93.50.

LILIUM MICHIGANENSE - Michigan Lily. 4 - 8 Ft. Moist location or ordinary garden soil. Flowers orange-red. June - July. Petals curve back. Light shade or sun. Seed only.

LOBELIA CARDINALIS - Cardinal Flower. 3-5 Ft. Bright red flowers late July -Oct. Grows in any good garden soil in full sun or very light shade. Mulch both summer and winter. One of the most beautiful of flowers and among the easiest to grow. It attracts the hummingbird too. Plants only. Each 30; $3-80\phi$, 10-92.50.

LOBELIA KALMII - Kalms or Brook Lobelia. Grows in wet meadows or garden. Sun. Blue flowers with conspicuous white eye. July - Sept. Plants only. Each 30ϕ , $3-80\phi$, 10-92.50.

IOBELIA SIPHILITICA - Large Blue Lobelia. 1 - 3 Ft. July - Aug. Same conditions as Cardinalis. Light shade or sun. Seed or plants. Each 30ϕ , 3 - 80ϕ , 10 - 92.50.

LOBELIA SPICATA - Pale or Spike Lobelia. 1 - 2 Ft. Pale blue flowers June - Aug. Sun. Plants only. 30ϕ each, $3-80\phi$, 10-32.50.

LUPINUS PERENNIS - Sun-dial or Eastern Lupine. l-2 Ft. Dry location in full sun. Blue flowers. Late spring. Difficult to move, therefore, seed only.

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MELAMPODIUM CINEREUM - Colorado Rock Daisy. 6 in. Small clear white sunflower-like; blooms over a long period. Full sun. Plants only. Each 50ϕ , 3 - \$1.40, 10 - \$4.00.

MIMULUS CARDINALIS - Scarlet Monkey-flower. This is a native of California and Oregon, growing along streams. Flowers $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 in. long. Seems contented here in the garden in full sun. Plants only. Each 35ϕ , $3-95\phi$, 10-33.00.

MIMULUS LEWSII - Lewis or Pink Monkey-flower. This is native to the Rockies and from British Columbia to California. 12 - 18 in. Beautiful rose-pink flowers May-June. Moist location or ordinary garden soil in full sun. Plants only. Each 35ϕ , $3-95\phi$, 10-33.00.

MIMULUS RINGENS - Monkey Flower. 1 - 3 Ft. Violet-blue. June - Sept. Moist location or ordinary garden soil. Sun. Seed or plants. Each 25ϕ , 3 - 65ϕ , 10-32.00.

MITELLA DIPHYLLA - Miterwort or Bishops Cap. 8 - 17 in. White flowers. April - May. Excellent ground cover plant for shady moist location. Plants only. Each 30ϕ , $3 - 80\phi$, 10 - 92.50.

MONARDA DIDYMA - Scarlet Wild Bergamot or Bee Balm. 2 - 3 Ft. Bright red. July - August. Moist rich soil. Light shade or sun. Attracts hummingbirds. Seed or plants. 35ϕ each, $3-95\phi$, 10-93.00.

MONARDA MENTHAEFOLIA - Mintleaf Bergamot. Native to a large area of western North America. $1\frac{1}{2}$ Ft. Rose or lilac blossoms about 1 in long. Dry location in full sun. Plants only. Each 35ϕ , $3-95\phi$, 10-33.00.

OENOTHERA MISSOURENSIS - Missouri Primrose or Glade Lily. Stems sprawling on the ground. Showy yellow flowers in summer. Sun. Seed or plants. Each 30ϕ , $3-80\phi$, 10-52.50.

OPUNTIA VULGARIS - Eastern Prickly Pear or Barberry Fig. A prostrate plant less than a foot high. Yellow flowers in July. Sun. Plants only. Each 35ϕ , $3-80\phi$, 10-53.00.

PENSTEMON - Beard Tongue. Penstemons are among the most showy of North American wild flowers. The flowers are tubular and foxglove-like in shape. Fine in beds or borders. They make good cut flowers. They will do best in a well drained soil in full sun.

PENSTEMON ALPINUS - About 12 in. Foliage dark green. Large blue flowers in July. Plants only. Each 50ϕ , 3-01.40, 10-04.50.

PENSTEMON ANGUSTIFOLIUS. About 12 in. Flowers blue, varying to lilac or white. The plants we offer are grown from seed collected from rare white flowered plants. They may not come true from seed. Plants only. Each 50ϕ , 3 - 01.40, 10 - 04.50.

PENSTEMON BARBATUS - Fire Cracker Penstemon. About 3 Ft., a very showy flower, flame red. Plants only. Each 50ϕ , 3 - 01.40, 10 - 04.50.

PENSTEMON COBAEA. 2 Ft. Reddish purple to white. May - June. A very showy penstemon from the prairies. Plants only. Each 35ϕ , $3-95\phi$, 10-93.00.

PENSTEMON GRANDIFLORUS - Large Flowered Beardtongue. 2-4 Ft. Stalk and leaves smooth bluish green. Flowers are large rich lavender, pink or white. June. The plants we offer are grown from seed collected from rare white flowered plants. They may not come true from seed. Plants only. Each 50ϕ , 3-01.40, 10-04.50.

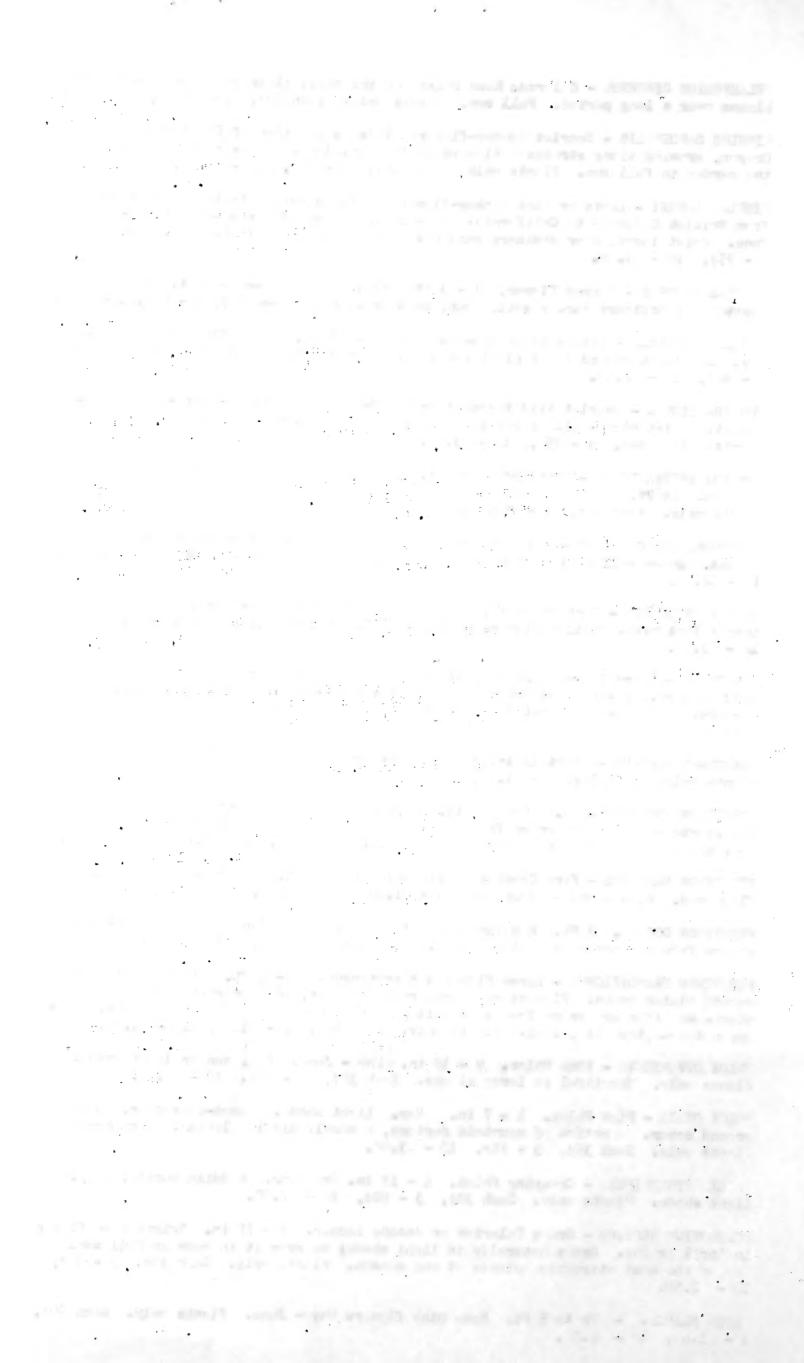
PHLOX DIVARICATA - Blue Phlox. 9 - 18 in. May - June. Full sun or light shade. Plants only. Beautiful in large clumps. Each 30, 3 - 80$, 10 - $\frac{1}{2}.50$.$

PHLOX OVATA - Pink Phlox. 4-7 in. May. Light shade. Semi-evergreen. Good ground cover. A native of mountain regions, Pennsylvania to Alabama. Very hardy. Plants only. Each 35ϕ , $3-95\phi$, 10-43.00.

PHLOX STOLONIFERA - Creeping Phlox. 4 - 12 in. Creeping. Reddish purple. May. Light shade. Plants only. Each 30¢, 3 - 80¢, 10 - 2.50.

POLEMONIUM REPTANS - Greek Valarian or Jacobs Ladder. 9-12 in. Bright blue flower in April or May. Grows naturally in light shade; we grow it in beds in full sun. One of the most attractive plants at any season. Plants only. Each 30ϕ , $3-80\phi$, 10-32.50.

ROSA BLANDA. - Up to 5 Ft. Rose pink flowers May - June. Plants only. Each 50ϕ , 3 - 91.40, 10 - 94.50.



SANQUINARIA CANADENSIS - Bloodroot. 6 - 12 in. White flowers. April - May. Light shade. Seed or plants. Each 25ϕ , 3 - 65ϕ , 10 - \$2.00.

SISYRINCHIUM ALBIDUM - Blue Eyed Grass. 10 - 12 in. Blue flowers in summer. Full sun. Plants only. Each 25ϕ , $3-65\phi$, 10-92.00.

SISYRINCHIUM GRAMINOIDES - Winged Blue-eyed Grass. About 1 Ft. Violet-blue. Summer. Full sun. Plants only. Each 25ϕ , $3-65\phi$, 10-32.00.

SMILACINA RACEMOSA - Solomons Plume or False Spikenard. $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 Ft. Fluffy white flowers in May or June. Fruit, cluster of scarlet red berries in fall. Light shade. Seed or plants. Each 25ϕ , $3-65\phi$, 10-92.00.

STOKESIA LEAVIS - Stokes Aster. 1 - 2 Ft. Flowers blue or blue-white 3 - 4 in. across. July - Aug. Sun or light shade. Plants only. Each 35ϕ , 3 - 95ϕ , 10 - 32.50.

THALICTRUM DIOICUM - Early Meadow Rue. About 2 Ft. Beautiful foliage plant. Flowers greenish-yellow. April and May. Full sun. Plants only. 30ϕ each, $3-80\phi$, 10-02.50.

THALICTRUM POLYGAMUN - Tall Meadow Rue. 3 - 10 Ft. Fluffy flowers white to purplish. July to Sept. Moist rich location in full sun. Plants only. Each 30ϕ , $3-80\phi$. 10-92.50.

THERMOPSIS CAROLINIANA. 3 - 5 Ft. Yellow flowers in terminal racemes, May and June. Garden soil, full sun. Seed or plants. Each 30ϕ , $3-80\phi$, 10-32.50.

TIARELLA CORDIFOLIA - Foamflower or False Miterwort. 6 - 10 in. White flowers early spring. A good ground cover for moist shade location Plants only. Each 30¢, 3 - 80¢, 10 - \$2.50.

UVULARIA GRANDIFLORA - Large Merrybells or Bellwort. 12 - 18 in. Bright yellow, nodding flowers over inch long in May. Thrives in a damp shady location. Plants only. 30ϕ each, $3-80\phi$, 10-32.50.

UVULARIA SESSIFIFOLIA - Small Merrybells or Bellwort. Also called wild oats. 10 - 15 in. Lighter and smaller yellow flowers in May and June than above. Plants only. Each 25ϕ , $3 - 65\phi$, 10 - 92.00.

VERONICA VIRGINICA - Culvers Root. 3 - 5 Ft. Tiny white flowers. Summer. Attractive plant when allowed to develop in large clump in full sun in garden. Plants only. Each 30ϕ , $3-80\phi$, 10-92.50.

VIOLA CANADENSIS - Canada Violet. Leafy-stemmed plant to about one foot. White flowers with yellow center. Blooms late spring - early summer. Light shade in good soil. Plants only. Each 25ϕ , $3-65\phi$, 10-92.00.

VIOLA PALMATA - Early Blue or Palmate-leaved Violet. About 10 inches. Flowers violet-purple. April to June. Rich soil, light shade to full sun. Seed or plants. Each 25ϕ , $3-65\phi$, 10-52.00.

VIOLA PAPILIONACEA, Var. Pricema - Confederate Violet. 6 in. Blue-grey. May. Sun or light shade. Seed or plants. Each 25ϕ , $3-65\phi$, 10-92.00.

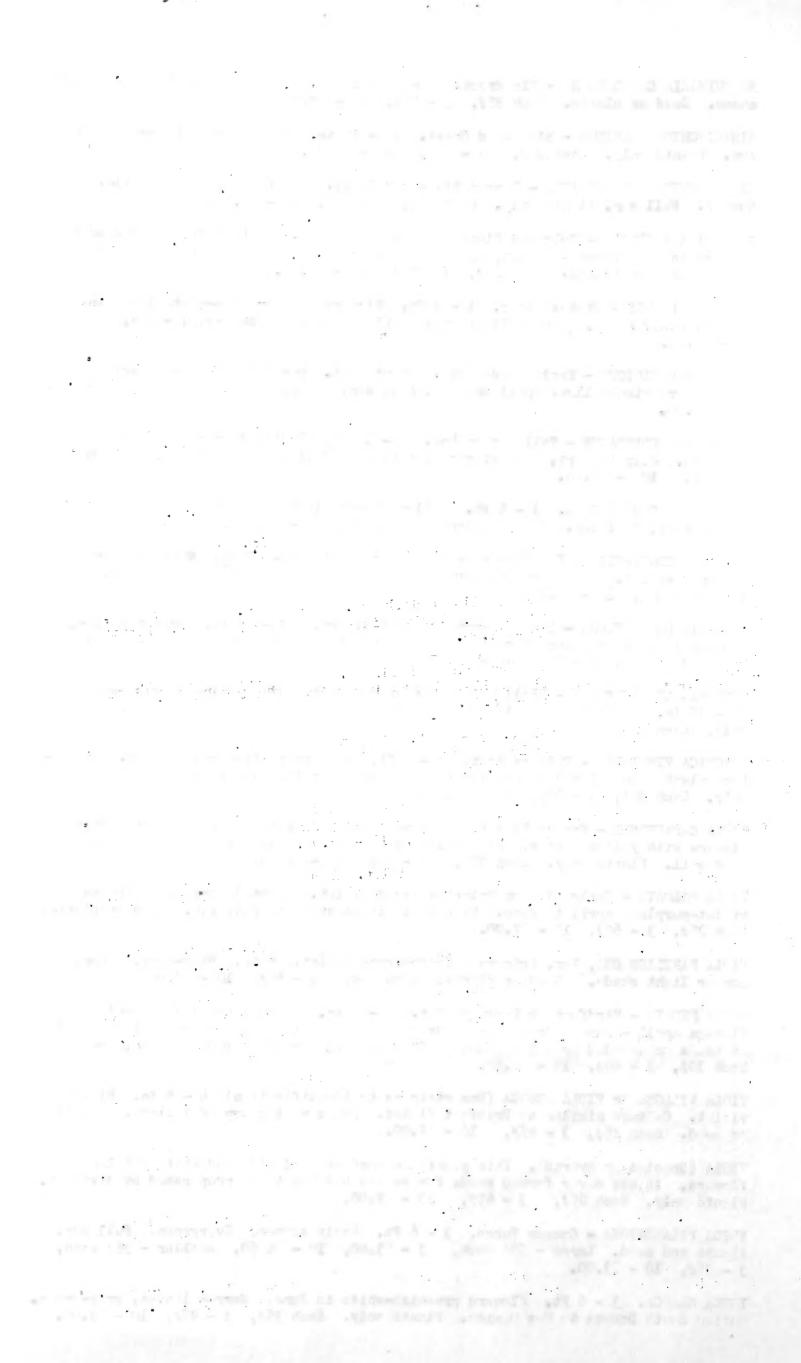
VIOLA PEDATA - Birdfoot or Pansy Violet. 4-8 in. Very large lilac-purple flowers April - June. Grow in well drained location in full sun, never in the drip of trees or crowded by other plants. The state flower of Illinois. Plants only. Each 30ϕ , $3-80\phi$, 10-32.50.

VIOLA VILLOSA or VIOLA ADUNCA (Uncertain as to identification) μ - 8 in. Flower violet. Culture similar to Bridfoot Violet. Makes neat clump of foliage. Plants or seed. Each 25ϕ , $3-65\phi$, 10-\$2.00.

VIOLA (Species or Hybrid). This plant has most unusual blue and white mottled flowers. It has never formed seeds for us and has had to be propagated by division. Plants only. Each 25ϕ , $3-65\phi$, 10-02.00.

YUCCA FILAMENTOSA - Common Yucca. 3 - 6 Ft. Early summer. Evergreen. Full sun. Plants and seed. Large - 50ϕ each, 3 - 01.40, 10 - 04.50. Smaller - 35ϕ each, 3 - 95ϕ , 10 - 03.00.

YUCCA GLAUCA. 3 - 6 Ft. Flowers greenish-white in June. Narrow leaves, gray-green. Native South Dakota to New Mexico. Plants only. Each 35ϕ , $3-95\phi$, 10-\$3.00.



We also have seed of the following: HIBISCUS MOSCHEUTOS (SWAMP ROSE-MALLOW), POLYGONATUM COMMUTATUM (GIANT SOLOMON SEAL), and STEPHTOPHUS AMPLEXIFOLIUS (TWISTED STALK).

All of our seeds are kept in glass containers and will be packaged only as orders arrive. All seeds listed are 1950 crop.

GENTIANA CRINITA is 50ϕ per packet. All other seeds are 25ϕ per packet, or five packets for \$1.00, postpaid.

All of the plants listed are field-grown and have been propagated either by seed or division. If shade-loving, they have been grown in beds under lattice. All plants that we have indicated as growing in light shade or full sun, we find grow very well here in Michigan in the full sunlight with a heavy mulch. Also, plants ordinarily found only in the marsh grow very satisfactorily in the garden with a mulch both in summer and winter. For mulch, we use decaying hardwood sawdust. Straw, hay, grass clippings, etc., would be satisfactory. Sawdust has the advantage of being free of weed seeds.

All orders of \$2.00 or over postpaid in the United States. Under \$2.00, add 25\$ to cover postage and packing.

A certificate of inspection is attached to each plant shipment.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PLANTING SEEDS

All our own seedlings are grown from seed planted directly in or on the ground. The seed beds are five feet wide and run from east to west. They are covered by narrow lattice running north and south. The lattice is about $1\frac{1}{2}$ feet above the beds. Beds laid out in this way and so covered provide a constantly changing pattern of light and shade. Additional lattice is used around and over the beds of those plants requiring more shade. The lattice not only provides shade for the young plants, but also helps conserve moisture and protects against strong winds. The ground is also much cooler under the lattice:

Germination for most species seems to be better when the ground is kept cool. After planting, seed must not be allowed to become dry.

The following seeds are planted in drills and covered with soil according to the size of the seed: Baneberries, Butterfly Weed, Blue Wild Indigo, Wine Poppy, Bleeding Heart, Wild Geranium, Bee Balm, Missouri Primrose, Bloodroot, Solomons Plume, Carolina Thermopsis, Violets, Jack-in-the-Pulpit, Michigan Lily, Giant Solomon Seal, Yucca Filamentosa, Iris Versicolor, Twisted Stalk, Blue Lupine, Swamp Rosemallow, and Golden Seal.

Solomon Plume, Michigan Lily and Giant Solomon Seal germinate the second season. All others should germinate the first season, varying from several weeks to several months, unless they are not planted early enough or are allowed to dry out. In that case, expect germination the following year. In natural conditions, seeds are planted shortly after ripening, freezing and thawing are good for them.

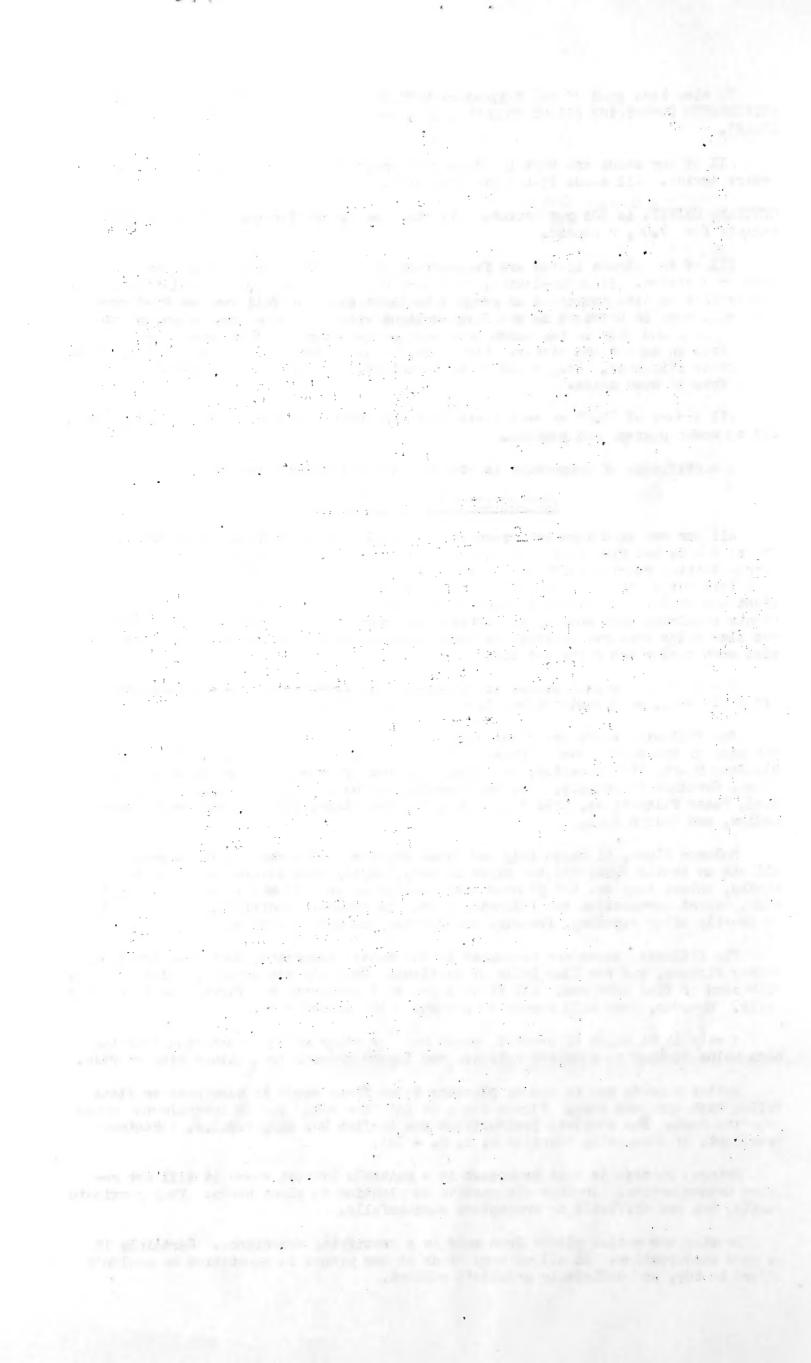
The following seeds are broadcast in the beds: Alumroots, Gentians, Lobelias, Monkey Flowers, and the Blue Bells of Scotland. They are not covered, unless lightly with sand or fine sphagnum. All these seeds will germinate the first year if planted early. However, many will remain to germinate the second year.

A very light mulch of sawdust, marsh hay, or other suitable material over the beds helps further to conserve moisture and lessen erosion from either wind or rain.

Better success may be had by planting these finer seeds in clay pots or flats filled with sphagnum moss. Plunge the pots into the bed. Merely sprinkle the seeds over the moss. For complete instructions see Leaflet No. 243, U.S.D.A. (obtained from Supt. of Documents, Washington, D. C. -5ϕ).

Fringed gentain is best broadcast in a suitable habitat where it will not require transplanting. Another alternative is planting in plant bands. They germinate easily, but are difficult to transplant successfully.

Growing our native plants from seed is a gratifying experience. Certainly it is good conservation. It allows many of us to own plants in quantities we couldn't afford to buy, and definitely shouldn't collect.



OTHER CHOICE PERENNIALS

HIBISCUS - Mallow, Giant-flowering mixed. An improved form of our native Marshmallow or rose-mallow. Each 35ϕ , $3-95\phi$, 10-93.00.

IRIS KAEMPHERI - Japanese Iris. These are well-grown clumps. Mixed colors. Each 35ϕ , $3-95\phi$, 10-\$3.00.

PENSTEMON, Rose Elf. 2 - 3 Ft. An outstanding new hardy Penstemon of the Barbatus type. The flower is lovely coral pink. Blooms June and July. An excellent cut flower as well as a good garden display. Each 50ϕ , 3 - \$1.40, 10 - \$4.50.

PRIMULA POLYANTHA - Polyanthus Primrose mixed 6 - 9 in. Early spring. Shades of red, yellow and pastels. Each 35ϕ , $3-95\phi$, 10-33.00.

STACHYS LANATA - Woolly Woundwort. $1 - 1\frac{1}{2}$ Ft. White woolly throughout. Flowers small, purple in dense 30 or more flowered whorls in interrupted spikes. Use as a bedding plant. Valuable for its very white herbage. Native from the Caucasus to Persia. Plants only. Each 50ϕ , 3 - \$1.40, 10 - \$4.50.

ROSA MULTIFLORA JAPONICA - Japanese Rose. These are six inch seedlings of the thorny type adapted for hedges. Spring shipment only. \$3.00 per 100.

Valley Gardens is at present located at 21301 Telegraph Road, Detroit 19, Michigan. In order to expand our business, we have purchased land in Garden City on Venoy Road just South of Warren Road. Our new mailing address is P.O. Box 37, Garden City, Michigan.

We plan to change the name of "Valley Gardens" to one more indicative of our business and of our new location. We expect to continue to propagate native perennials; also, some of our better native shrubs and trees. "Cardinal Flower Gardens" is the name we are considering. Should anyone suggest a name more appropriate and we adopt same, we would be pleased to award that person \$10.00 worth of native plants from our present list.

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